

App. Serial No. 10/801,523
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REMARKS

Claims 1-19, 21-24 and 28-41 are pending. Claims 1-19, 21-24 and 28-40 are amended to correct formal matters within claims, and not for the purpose of limiting the scope of the invention.

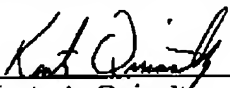
CONCLUSION

This Response has been timely filed within the allotted one-month time response period set in the Official Action. Accordingly, Applicants request that the examination and prosecution of this application be performed in an expedited manner. If the Examiner has any comment on this election response, he is invited to contact the listed attorney for further discussion thereof. Applicants reserve their rights to file divisional applications drawn to any non-elected claims, if necessary.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required for the timely consideration of this Response under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 09-0528.

Respectfully submitted,

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